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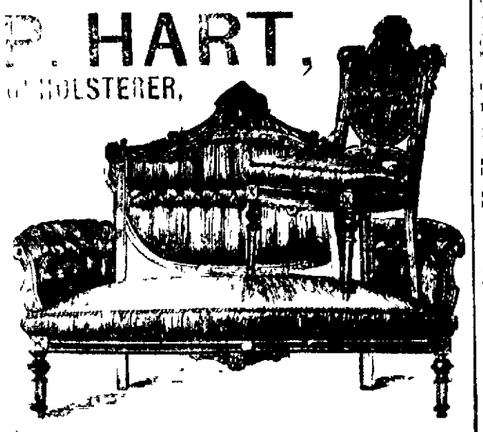

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PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that in pursuance of a decretal order entered in the above entitled cause in said court at the January Term A. D. 1885, I, John A. Brown, Master in Chancery for said Court on

Saturday, the 21st day of February, A. D. 1885,

at the hour of two o'clock p. m. of said day shall sell at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash at the west door of the court house in Decatur in said county, the following described real estate situate in the county of Macon and State of Illinois, to-wit: The northeast quarter of the northwest quarter of section twenty (20), township sixteen (16) north, range three (3) east of the third P. M., save and except five (5) acres off of the south side thereof, together with all and singular the tenements and hereditaments thereunto belonging. Said premises will be sold subject to redemption.

Decatur, Ill., Jan. 31, 1885.

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GENTS' Smoking Jackets at B. Stine's.

FATTENING HOGS.

Advice Which Will Produce Wonderful Results, If Faithfully Followed.

We have recently had several letters inquiring as to our plan of feeding hogs, which, as our readers know, embraces the keeping them, as a rule, until the second year. One correspondent asks what breed we have, and what they weigh when we sell. The breed is Poland-China, though we have had other breeds, and the weight the second winter is from four hundred and twenty-five to four hundred and fifty pounds. Another correspondent asks if he understands us to say that it is more profitable to keep hogs until two years old than to have them ready to turn off at nine months or one year, allowing that they have good pasture in both cases. In reply to this we desire to call attention to the fact that we do not say keep them until they are two years old. We say keep them until the second winter, and the exact age at which they should be marketed will, of course, depend upon circumstances, such as the cost of food, prevailing prices, etc. With this modification we say it is generally more profitable to keep them. Our correspondent in this instance remarks that it seems to him that it will not cost as much if it is the right kind of hog and is fed properly, to make them weigh two hundred and fifty pounds at nine months or a year, as it would be to keep them longer. We have had an extensive experience in breeding and fattening swine, and have, we think, tested the merits of the two systems thoroughly. It is, therefore, not an unsupported theory that has led us to the firm conclusion that there is more money in second year hogs than there is in hogs at nine months or a year old. But we can do more in showing our practice to the reader than simply to state what it is, and to say what the results are. This is seldom satisfactory, however plain the statement may be. The human mind demands reason, and while the reasons we give may be perfectly plain to us, they may not be to others, and may smack of unsupported theory. We know that we can make more money, and do make more money by our system, than we could make by the other, and to us the reasons are evident. In the first place a hog cannot get his growth in nine months, and if it is forced on the fat side before it is mature, the system is warped out of natural tendencies, and there is a danger of collapse all the time. Such an animal is vastly more susceptible to disease than one that is permitted to naturally develop, and to mature before the fattening process begins. We calculate therefore, that our system is a reasonable assurance if other necessary precautions are taken against losses which the swine breeder can not afford to court. In the next place the pork is better, and the swine breeder is much more interested in producing an excellent product than many seem to conceive. It is not enough to produce so many pounds of pork and get our money for it. Quality as well as quantity is money in the producer's pocket in the end. The recklessness of some of our meat producers and meat preservers in this very matter has done us all incalculable injury, and all the opposition to American pork to-day can be said to be based upon the carelessness of the new. Products of a bad quality have been found and have been made the pretext for building a mountain out of a mole hill. Products of a good quality however, always increase consumption. A few dishes of bad pork, or inferior beef or mutton, are sufficient to lessen the consumption of the article fifty or seventy-five per cent in the family that is unfortunate enough to get hold of such meats.

But what our correspondents are particularly interested in is the cost. Now it will hardly be necessary to go into minute detail, for all will acknowledge that the most expensive time in the life of swine, is while they are with the sow. She must be fed generously and feed as generously as we may, we shall have on an average a number of pounds less sow than we had when we began to suckle her pigs. We have fed the sow, and through the sow the litter, with the most costly food, and lost a hundred pounds of pork while doing it. Never again will the pigs cost as much as they did with the sow. When we have weaned them, if we intend to turn them off in nine months old, an expensive system of feeding must be continued, for our object is to make a hog out of a pig and we can come nowhere doing that unless we feed well—unless we force as we call it. And at last we have two hundred and fifty pounds of pork. The next spring we repeat the same expensive process, and get five hundred pounds of pork from the two litters. On the other hand the breeder who keeps his hogs until the second year has but one expense for suckling. When his pigs are weaned the cost of carrying them through the summer is absolutely inconsiderable. During the winter the best food that can be given them is the cheapest in the range of foods—clover hay, rye, oats and mill stuff. What they will consume will cards be missed. During the second summer they are turned upon grass, mixed with clover as the main food, and live cheaply until corn is ready to feed. There is no attempt to force, and consequently there is no cost for forcing. As soon as corn is ready to feed they have the frame of two litters of even old pigs, and they make four hundred and fifty pounds, nearly double what the nine months old animal makes. This is as clear to us as the sun in the heavens, though perhaps we do not make it clear to others.—*Western Farmer.*

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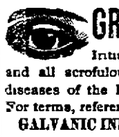

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Is held in high estimation for its richness as a Dry Table Wine.

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The Daily Republican.

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FRIDAY EVE., FEB. 6, 1885.

WHEN the state fair soliciting committees call upon you open your heart and pur e-strings, shell out liberally and we will be pretty sure to have the fair located at Decatur for two years.

THESE Washington correspondents do not always give welcome news. One of them says "Miss Susan B. Anthony is looking well. She seems to grow younger as her years pile up." Is this sort of thing to be kept up forever?

By Acclamation.

The Republican members of the legislature met last night and nominated Gen. John A. Logan for senator, by acclamation. Eight Republican members were absent from the caucus, but it is certain that not one of them will ever vote for a Democrat. Five of the eight are known to be strong Logan men. After the nomination Gen. Logan made a ringing speech, and was followed by Ex Gov. Hamilton, Major Connolly and others. The Republicans seem to be in much better shape than the Democrats.

TO use a Hibernianism, there were a dozen absentees at the Democratic caucus in Springfield the other night. What these absentees will do when they come to be present in the joint session is the conundrum that is troubling Mr. Morrison just now.

THE general prophecy is that Mr. Morrison will never be able to muster more than 100 votes on joint ballot, the reason being that the great Chicago lowhard will knife William whenever he sees an opportunity. Morrison performed perfect prodigies of labor in securing the nomination, but he will have to do still more to be elected

Sat Down On.

The resolution censuring Governor Hamilton for his action in preventing the consummation of the Democratic attempt to steal a senator, which was discussed in the senate for two days, was defeated yesterday by a vote of 21 yeas to 24 nays, Senator Streeter voting with the Republicans The Democrats are swearing mad at Senator Duncan for stirring the matter up and are sensible of the fact that they have made another of their character, the blunders in not permitting the memory of their attempted larceny to die out of the public mind as quietly as possible.

WINDOWS on Pennsylvania Avenue, twixt the capitol and the White house, are renting at $10 each, or two for $15, for inauguration day. This important event occurs only once in four years, and the Washington people who live principally on what they can squeeze out of strangers may be excused for their apparent greediness

THE Texas Live Stock Journal maintains that the condition of stock in that state has been misrepresented, and states that it is in a fair average condition for this season of the year There has been considerable snow fall and some northers in the pan handle, but early grass in consequence of the snow will compensate for all the damage the unusual cold may have done

MRS. JAMES K. POLK, who is now eighty one years of age, recently speaking of the time when she was lady of the White House, said that she enjoyed that period of her life, and looked back upon it after forty years with pleasure She is fond of recalling incidents of Mr. Polk's administration, and is proud of his career. She says she regards the annexation of Texas and the results following the Mexican war that is, the acquirement of the Californias, New Mexico, and all those territories so rich in mineral ore – as some of the most important events in the history of this country. In fact, she thought Mr. Polk's administration as second to none, and she would not even except the results obtained by Mr. Jefferson She says history is now proving the advantage gained by those accessions, all due to Mr. Polk's administration.

ST LOUIS *Globe-Dem* One of the saddest cases of lunacy on record is that of the man in Jersey City who imagines that he is the Rev. Dr. Burchard. It is bad enough to be crazy, but when mental aberration takes a turn that must cause such poignant suffering the poor victim becomes an object of special pity. Dr Burchard himself can not help being sorry for a man so miserably afflicted, in fact, Burchard knows better than anybody else how to sympathize with him.

Notice.

Parties wishing to haul their own Coal can get it at my, M. D. A. Wolfe's Shellabarger's mill yard in Decatur.

Homœopathic Physicians and Surgeons 116 Water street, up-stairs, HART. April 3, 1884—d&wtf

BY TELEGRAPH

FALL OF KHARTOUM.

Treachery Surrenders the Beleagured Garrison to the Rebels.

Two Thousand Men Said to Have Been Massacred by the Victorious Rebels.

General Gordon Supposed to Be Dead or to Have Suffered a More Dreaded Fate,

Though There is Still Room For Hope That He Retains Possession of the Citadel.

Colonel Wilson Forced to Retreat Down the River Under a Galling Fire From the Banks,

And Finally Wrecked in An Exposed Position On An Island Above Metamneh.

Fears Expressed That None of General Stewart's Heroic Band Will Ever Recross the Desert.

General Gloom in England on Receipt of News of the Disaster—A Cabinet Council Hastily Summoned.

Kassa's Revictualed—Six Thousand Rebels Slain by Friendly Tribes in the Gallabad Country.

The Prince of Wales in a Railroad Collision—Lord Dufferin Reported Shot in India.

FALL OF KHARTOUM AND CAPTURE OF GORDON.

LONDON, February 5.—A decided sensation was created here to-day by the reported capture of Khartoum. The news spread throughout the city, and crowds gathered in front of the War Office, newspaper offices and other news centers for the purpose of obtaining the latest information

The report was subsequently confirmed by the announcement that a dispatch had been received at the War Office from General Wolseley, dated at Korti, which states that a native courier from Metamneh had arrived at headquarters with information that Colonel Wilson had returned from Khartoum, to which place he had been dispatched with a small force on a steamer found at Metamneh upon its capture, and reported that Khartoum had been occupied by the enemy, and that Gordon had been made a prisoner of war

Wilson said that all along his retreat from the ill fated city he was constantly harassed and subjected to a heavy fire from the enemy's guns. Many shots struck the steamer without doing serious damage

Everything went comparatively well until within a short distance of Metamneh, when the vessel ran ashore on one of the many islands, and was a total wreck.

Colonel Wilson states that Khartoum fell on the 26th of January. He arrived off the city two days after the fall. He expressed the belief that the capture was brought about by the treachery of some of the natives that Gordon had pressed into service.

Wilson, with a light force at last accounts, was still on the island on which he was wrecked, awaiting a steamer to take them to Metamneh

"The courier reports," adds Wolseley, "that the fall of Khartoum caused a general feeling of gloom throughout General Stewart's camp, and fears were freely expressed that unless reinforcements soon arrived their fate would in all probability be soon sealed

England.

EXCITEMENT IN LONDON.

LONDON, February 5.—The confirmation of the fall of Khartoum has caused the wildest excitement throughout the city, far exceeding in intensity any that has been caused by any of the startling events of the past few weeks. Government officials and sympathizers hope the news will turn out to be greatly exaggerated, and express the belief that Gordon has not been driven from the citadel, in the center of the city.

Gladstone, on receiving Wolseley's dispatch, proceeded at once to his official residence in Downing street and immediately issued a summons to the members of the Cabinet, requesting their presence at once. He appeared to be greatly agitated, and his action in calling a meeting of the Cabinet, it is believed, is for the purpose of tendering his resignation.

The streets are thronged with people anxiously discussing the ominous intelligence, and grave fears are entertained that none of Stewart's little band will ever recross the desert.

Not since the passage of the Dardanelles by the British fleet, during the Turco-Russian War has there been such excitement in this city On every street corner groups of excited people discuss and speculate as to the result of this new disaster and the action of the Ministry in the present emergency is eagerly awaited. Many predict it will result in the fall of Gladstone's government.

A COVERT THREAT.

LONDON, February 5.—The *Times* says that Russia's advance in Afghanistan can be explained only by some ulterior and unavowed motive, distinctly hostile both to Afghanistan and England. Any excuse on the ground of doubt as to the limit of frontier is rendered impossible by Russia's refusal to loyally investigate the settlement of the frontier question without delay. Herat belongs to the Ameer. A timely recognition of this will avert risks which Russia can scarcely afford to run.

BURTON IN BOW STREET.

LONDON, February 6.—The man who was arrested in White Chapel on Tuesday last on suspicion of being concerned in the dynamite explosions, was brought up for examination at Bow Street Police Court yesterday. The charge entered against Burton by the police is complicity in the Tower outrage. Burton is the man in whose possession Cunningham's missing brown trunk was found.

The evidence tendered by the police against Burton before the Magistrate went to show that he left New York in the steamship Oregon, and arrived at Liverpool on Christmas eve last. All his attempts to explain the possession of Cunningham's trunk were lame and contradictory. The evidence for the Crown was of purely formal character, and at its conclusion the prisoner was remanded for further examination until Monday next.

LORD DUFFERIN REPORTED SHOT.

OTTAWA, ONT., February 6.—The Governor General yesterday received a cablegram to the effect that Lord Dufferin had been shot in India. This caused great excitement, and Lord Lansdowne at once cabled to London for a confirmation of the statement, but none has yet been received.

Egypt.

TWO THOUSAND MEN SLAUGHTERED AT KHARTOUM.

CAIRO, February 6.—A rumor has reached here that two thousand men were massacred at Khartoum. The news of the disaster has cast a gloom over the entire European colony in Egypt.

GORDON'S FATE—EL MAHDI'S PROMISE.

LONDON, February 6.—Opinions differ greatly as to the fate of General Gordon. He has always averred that he would never be taken alive, and those who know him best believe that he has been killed. Still it is known that the one point toward which El Mahdi has devoted his best energies during the past year has been the capture of Gordon alive.

As long ago as August, 1884, Gordon wrote his sister in London that she need have no fears for his personal safety, because he had a charm for his life which he would not explain to her beyond that it arose from his trust in the Almighty.

Other private letters received at about the same time, and only now made public, say that El Mahdi had ordered that all his soldiers must shoot wide of General Gordon, and that any of his soldiers that killed or even wounded the great infidel should be punished with death.

The battlefield at El Obeid, where the army of Hicks Pasha was slaughtered is staked off with posts to show where various officers met their fate, and El Mahdi has solemnly assured his followers that he would some day show them General Gordon chained to the post which marks the spot where Hicks was killed. But those who know General Gordon believe that before he is chained to any post there will be many men killed, and he will be among the number. The belief among army officers is that if the fight which resulted in the surrender of Khartoum occurred after a mutinous uprising of native troops, General Gordon is dead.

KASSALA REVICTUALED—SIX THOUSAND REBELS SLAIN

CAIRO, February 6.—News is received from Suakim that friendly tribes have succeeded in revictualing Kassala, which is a very important strategic point. Two hundred and fifty camels laden with grain were passed into the town.

The garrison at Ghira, on the Settit River, southeast of Khartoum, recently made a successful sortie, producing a demoralizing effect among the rebels in that section.

The friendly tribes in the Gallabad country have also routed the rebels in an engagement in which six thousand of the enemy were slain.

MUST DROP PARTY SPIRIT.

LONDON, February 6.—The *Standard* says that all party spirit must be dropped, and one supreme, united effort be made to save Gordon in a crisis which can only be compared to the beginning of the Indian mutiny.

France.

WALKS IN A COLLISION.

PARIS, February 6.—The express train for Cannes on which the Prince of Wales was passenger came into collision yesterday at Avignon with a freight train. The Prince suffered nothing more than a slight shock from the accident. Nobody in either train sustained any injuries

A Stormy Passage.

NEW YORK, February 6.—The captain of the steamship Servia, of the Cunard line, which arrived here yesterday after a trip of eleven days from Queenstown, reports that the passage over was one of the stormiest he has ever experienced. He encountered violent gales and heavy seas almost incessantly. For four days, he states, a perfect cyclone raged. The weather was very cold, the spray freezing everywhere as it fell. On the 28th inst., about three days out from Queenstown, about eight o'clock in the evening, a tremendous sea broke over the vessel, carrying away the starboard boats amidships, and smashing two more. All night the sea was very high, the vessel pitching heavily. Another heavy sea carried away the ship's bridge, smashed the ventilators and davits and carried another boat overboard. The storm raged from the 28th to the 31st. The cabin passengers raised a purse of sixteen pounds to be distributed among the crew as a token of appreciation of their courage, skill and devotion to duty.

The Alaska, of the Guion line, due here Sunday, has not yet been sighted.

A Five Hundred Thousand Dollar College.

SOUTH ORANGE, N. J., February 6.—It is reported on the best authority that the proposed Catholic college will be erected at Seton Hall. The work of building the edifice is not to be commenced until half a million dollars has been collected. Among the recent contributions is $50,000 from Eugene Kelly, the New York banker. The gift of Miss Caldwell, of Newport, R. I., of $250,000, guaranteed the success of the enterprise. It is believed that the remaining $150,000 will be collected within the next six months.

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THE DYNAMITER'S RETURN.

Significant Statement of One of the Chosen Murderers.

PITTSBURGH, PA., February 5.—There arrived in New York last Saturday afternoon Martin O'Connor, an Irish-American, who is at present stopping in this city, and who, according to his own confession, was in a measure connected with the great dynamite explosion of January 24th. He left London three days before the explosions occurred, but the following statement will show he was fully aware of what would take place. He says:

"At a meeting of a certain organization which has the cause of Ireland at heart, held in Newark, N. J., on the night of Tuesday, September 16, 1884, a resolution was passed authorizing the Corresponding Secretary to communicate with other organizations in Boston, Philadelphia, Jersey City and Scranton, and ask them if their members would be willing to send two of their number to England for work, expenses paid. All except Jersey City, it is asserted, furnished the men. I was sent from Newark lodge.

After being fully instructed, we proceeded to England on different vessels, and met in London on October 22d. Our

At a subsequent meeting it was decided that Windsor and the Crystal Palace should also be included. The day to blow the d—d English institutions was fixed for January 20th. Twenty men were designated to the work, several disguised as women. Our plans were frustrated by a most singular accident. One of our female companions, in jumping from the vehicle, fell to the ground, causing the veil to come off and the skirts to tilt up, disclosing both masculine features and pantaloons. Greatly alarmed we hastily withdrew and informed the other parties of the occurrence, and also that the police were on the alert. It was decided that as we were under police surveillance, it would be impolitic to attempt the work ourselves, and we were ordered home, and on the 22d of January we sailed from Liverpool.

Mrs. Dudley's Cheerful Mood—An Ungrateful Dog.

NEW YORK, February 6.—Mrs. Dudley, Rossa's assailant, is in a cheerful mood. She takes matters easily and talks coolly about her attempt on Rossa's life as though it was a matter of no moment, and that she would never have to suffer punishment for her crime. She is still very much incensed at the number of what she calls outlandish reports published by the reporters about her.

"There are certain statements," said Mrs. Dudley, "which have been made about me which are simply odious, and it would not go well with the authors if I had my liberty. As it is, when I get my liberty I will certainly chastise some of them."

Mrs. Dudley is in receipt of letters and telegrams from all parts of the country sympathizing with her and lauding her for her action. She, however, refused to show any of them to the reporter, characterizing his request to see them as a piece of great impertinence.

"Have you received no threatening letters?"

"Well, yes, a few," she replied, "but I pay no attention to them."

Mrs. Dudley said she had read in the morning papers that Rossa had been removed from the Chambers Street Hospital to St. Vincent's Hospital, and asked the reporter to inform her as to its locality. On receiving the desired information she thanked him, and for awhile remained silent.

"You are aware," said the reporter, "that money is being subscribed for your defense both in England and Canada."

"Yes, and if my country men and women see fit to assist me, I'm very much obliged; but I shall never appeal to anybody."

Rossa is rapidly improving. He spent a comfortable night at St. Vincent's Hospital. Yesterday he chatted cheerily with the few friends allowed to see him. He expressed himself as much pleased with his new quarters, and says he is out of the clutches of the doctors of the Chambers street institution.

Threatening as well as congratulatory letters continue to pour in for the chief of dynamiters. In a letter from Australia was a draft for £17 to be expended in the application of the resources of civilization."

Rossa says he will certainly prosecute his assailant to the fullest extent of the law

A DEAD DROP.

Frightful Accident on the Cincinnati & Northern Railway.

CINCINNATI, O., February 6.—A frightful accident occurred on the Cincinnati & Northern Railroad about twelve o'clock last night. The local freight train from Lebanon, with eight loaded cars, ran off the track on the double trestle on Gilbert avenue in this city. The engine and four cars dropped about twenty feet and were completely demolished. Jack Squires, of Massillon, O., the fireman was instantly killed, and the engineer, Jim Flanagan, was probably fatally injured. Two of the train men were badly but not seriously hurt.

Ryan Obeys the Mandate of the Federal Court.

CHICAGO, ILL., February 6.—County Clerk Ryan was yesterday advised by counsel to deliver the ballots cast for Representative in the Sixth District last November to the Federal Court in this city, and not appear with them before Speaker Haines of the House of Representatives. Ryan did so, and placed the ballots in the hands of the Clerk of the District Court for use during the trial before Judge Blodgett of the alleged election fraud conspirators, Mackin, Gallagher, Gleason and Biehl, which began yesterday morning. The motion for a continuance by Mackin was overruled, a jury was selected, and at the conclusion of the opening addresses for the defense and prosecution the court adjourned till to-day

Schwab's Case.

NEW YORK, February 6.—Justus H. Schwab, the saloon-keeper and Socialist, was brought up yesterday in the Essex Market Police Court on a charge of inciting to riot and assaulting an officer. After hearing some formal evidence, the case was adjourned till next Tuesday.

Elected to Congress.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., February 6.—Nathan F. Dixon (Republican) was yesterday elected from the Second Congressional District to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Hon. Jonathan Chace.

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ROBBING THE STATE.

What an Investigation of the Records of Kentucky Brought to Light.

Over Two Millions of Dollars Stolen During the Past Fifteen Years by State Officials,

Aided by County Rings—The Full Extent of the Losses Not Yet Ascertained.

LOUISVILLE, KY., February 6.—A special from Frankfort says: A superficial investigation of the records of the State of Kentucky shows beyond question that a system of robbery has been carried on for fifteen years past, which rivals anything ever heard of. At the same time it has been conducted under cover of law. It is evident that the amount stolen will not fall far short of $2,000,000. It is not easy to get at the details by which the plunderers secured the spoils, but a simple set of figures readily establishes the fact that a deficit of that magnitude exists. A study of the books shows that in the Department of Criminal Prosecution the steal has reached at least a million in fifteen years. In the cost of keeping idiots during the same time there has been a steal of $500,000, while in other expenditures which have not been examined yet closely, there are indications of other crookedness which may add $500,000 more to the robbery. It is believed that in most cases the money can be traced to county and district rings which have abetted the Legislature.

FORTY-EIGHTH CONGRESS.

Senate.

WASHINGTON, D. C., February 5.—Mr. Sherman introduced a bill to authorize that medals be struck in connection with the inauguration of the Washington Monument.

On motion of Mr. VanWyck, a concurrent resolution was adopted calling on the Secretary of the Interior for a report as to the amount due the United States by the Union Pacific Railroad Company.

Mr. Sherman offered a resolution directing the Committee on Judiciary to inquire and report whether legislation was required, and if so, what, in regard to the appointment of court-martial and the regulation of proceedings and practice in trials before such courts in time of peace, and whether under existing law an officer may be tried before a court-martial appointed by the President in a case where the commander of the accused officer is not the accuser. Adopted.

Mr. Mitchell gave notice that to-morrow he would ask the Senate to take up and pass the private pension bills upon the calendar.

Mr. Ingalls gave notice that he would move to amend Rule 16 of the Senate, which now prohibited the Senate from considering legislative provisions inserted in appropriation bills, by adding the qualification that no amendment not germane to the subject should be considered.

The bill authorizing the construction of a bridge across the Mississippi River at Memphis was passed.

Mr. Plumb called up the bill to quiet the title of settlers on the Des Moines River to lands in the State of Iowa. The reading of the voluminous report on this bill occupied the time till two o'clock, when unfinished business, being the bill for the redemption and recoinage of trade dollars was taken up, Senator Bowen (of Colorado) having the floor.

Mr. Bowen asserted that the whole financial policy of the United States had been a blunder. The part of true statesmanship was to develop the natural resources of the country, and leave other nations to look out for themselves. Above all things, it was important to keep the balance of trade in our favor, if necessary by an increase in the tariff duties to the extent of excluding all articles of foreign luxury. Gold would then flow into the country from abroad, and in time would be sufficient to retire every legal tender note and leave the country with a currency composed exclusively of gold and silver. He hoped the amendment of the Senator from Vermont (Morrill) would fail, and that the House bill, which provided simply for the redemption of the trade dollar would be passed.

Mr. Bayard commented on the fact that there were scarcely a score of Senators in their places, and yet this was one of the most important questions that could be considered. He contended that there was no especial claim upon the United States for the exchange of these coins, which were in the same category as silver bars, both issued for the convenience of their owners. It was in the face of reason and history to allege that the trade dollar was under the United States statutes nominated a coin of the United States, or that it ever had a legal tender power, even to the extent of five dollars, or that it had been in circulation as money at all. It was never in circulation during the years it was permitted to be called a coin by the laws of the United States up to 1878, and before that its intrinsic value prevented its passing as a dollar, it was worth too much to go into circulation. Continuing, Mr. Bayard said it would be a useful lesson in economy if his countrymen should learn, even at the cost of these eight or ten millions of trade dollars, that Congress could not, by legislation, create values. Adverting to the danger of the United States being forced upon the monometallic basis of silver alone, he spoke of the inevitable crash that must follow, and the suffering that would be entailed, not only on the poor, but on the rich, for the safety of the rich depended largely upon the contentment of the poor. Therefore he was anxious for the passage of the feature of this bill which the Senator from Kansas (Plumb) proposed to strike out, and that was the suspension of the silver coinage authorized by the act of 1878.

At the close of Mr Bayard's remarks the Senate adjourned

House.

Mr Belmont, from the Committee on Foreign Affairs reported a resolution calling upon the President for copies of the further correspondence in relation to the Congo conference. Adopted.

Mr. Randall from the Committee on Rules reported back Mr. Holman's resolution to amend the rule which went into operation yesterday, to "objections shall be called for after debate of ten minutes," instead or prior thereto.

Mr. Reed (of Maine) denounced the rule as one of a progressive system which has been going on for a long period to obstruct the transaction of public business. The whole session had been wasted, until now there were but four weeks left, and that time was mortgaged by appropriation bills. As well attempt to turn Niagara through a quill as to rush through the business now before the House.

—A recent calculation shows that a man weighing one hundred and sixty pounds, and running a mile in six minutes, performs work about equal to that of a half-horse engine, while a walker sustaining five miles an hour for a long time does work equal to that of a quarter-horse engine, and consumes only one-twentieth of the weight of food or fuel.

—General Sherman said at the cattle convention at St. Louis recently: "I myself have seen the cow-boys of Arizona, New Mexico and Texas, and can say they are a brave lot of fellows, a little wild, perhaps [laughter], but, on the whole, with the impulses of a generous and manly nature. I wish one and all of you health, happiness and prosperity."

—Dogs dream precisely as people do. You will hear and see them growling in anger, barking in excitement and wagging their tails with pleasure. Sometimes they have nightmare and need to be awakened, when, if it is done gently, they will draw a long breath of relief from some horror and go right on sleeping quietly for awhile. —*Hartford Courant.*

—A New York photographer is quoted as saying: "After twenty-five years' experience under the skylight, and photographing over one hundred and fifty-seven thousand people, I have become convinced that in nineteen cases out of twenty the left side of the face gives the most characteristic likeness, while to the same degree the right side is the most symmetrical."

BLOOMINGTON *Pantagraph:* The report of the contemplated resignation of Judge Samuel H. Treat, of the federal court for the southern district of Illinois, is again revived. It is said he will retire on March 3, that being the expiration of his thirty fourth year on the bench. This will leave the appointment of his successor to President Cleveland, and it is considered quite probable that the Hon. James S. Ewing, of this city, will get the place. Judge Treat is himself a Democrat, and in withholding his resignation till the last day of the twenty-four years of Republican rule under which he has been honored, he seems determined that a Democrat shall be his successor.

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Feb. 6, 1885—d3w

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C. L. GRISWOLD
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Feb. 3, 1885—d2w1

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of one Execution to me directed and delivered by the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Macon county, Illinois, in favor of Andrew J. Stoner, and against James Dermitt, I have levied upon the following described property, to-wit: Lot No. three (3) in Block No. one in Forstmyer's addition to the city of Decatur, Macon county, Illinois, taken as property of the said James Dermitt, which I shall offer for public sale at the west door of the court house entrance in Decatur, in Macon county, in said state, on the 26th day of February, A. D. 1885, at the hour of two o'clock p. m. of said day, for cash in hand, to satisfy said execution.

This 6th day of February, A. D. 1885.
WM. W. FOSTER,
Feb. 6-d3w Sheriff Macon county Ill.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of one execution to me directed and delivered by the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Macon county, Illinois, in favor of Harvey M. Myers and against Henry Bishop, I have levied upon the following described property, to-wit: Thirty-five (35) acres in the north part of the east half of the southwest quarter, of section twenty-six (26) in township sixteen north, range three (3) east of the 3d Principal Meridian, except three acres on which is located a burial ground, and one acre on which is situated a railroad; the above described premises being situated in Macon county, Illinois; taken as property of the said Henry Bishop, which I shall offer at public sale at the west door of the Court House entrance in Decatur, in Macon county, in said state, on the 26th day of February, A. D. 1885, at the hour of two o'clock p. m. of said day, for cash in hand to satisfy said execution.

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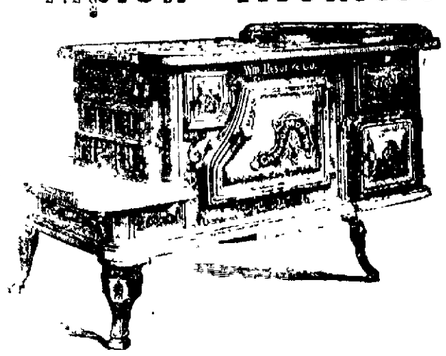

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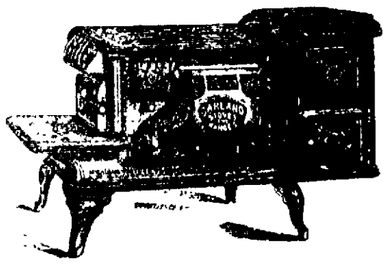

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MRIDAY EVE., FEB. 6, 1885.

LOCAL NEWS.

WHEN up town step in and see those damaged dolls at

E. D. BARTHOLOMEW & Co.'s.

DECATUR can make her own brick for street paving.

A "GRAND OPERA" with only a piano for an orchestra is wretchedly thin.

BOOK KEEPING class in the Y. M. C. A. rooms this evening.

DR. HUBBELL will be at the parlors of the New Deming all day to-morrow.

THE sale of seats for Lights o' London begins to-morrow morning.

LAST evening was "Ladies' Night" at the Decatur Club Rooms.

THE street cars will accommodate all persons who wish to attend the entertainment at the high school.

I. W. EHRMAN is often spoken of as a probable candidate for Mayor at the Spring election.

CALL up Peter Ulrich by telephone and have him take your order for family groceries, oysters by the can or in bulk.

THE coal miners at Danville have accepted the reduction from 80 to 70 cents per ton for mining coal.

A "SURE cure for Blue Monday" for sale at Niedermeyer's grocery store, on the Mound.

ALL fastidious smokers call for Schroeder's celebrated Bohemian cigars because they are the best for a nickel.

THE cold wave came, but it did not cut such a wide swath as was expected. It was 20 degrees above zero this morning; but another light snow fell last night. The young folks hope that more of it will follow. It is coming; more fell to-day.

TAKE dinner with Crosthwait Bros. at the stylish restaurant, No. 111 Water street. Satisfaction guaranteed.

MRS. ROB'T LEFORGEE has shown us a basket of artificial flowers made by herself, which shows neat skill and taste, both in the handiwork and arrangement. Mrs. L. is quite an artist in this line.

THE butchers and merchants give liberally for the state fair fund. One butcher gave $100; another $150; a clothing man gave $300, and a dry goods merchant $250

EDWARD ARNOT, a well-known actor, committed suicide by cutting his throat at Chicago last night. He has appeared in Decatur frequently, once with Kate Claxton in "The Two Orphans" He was out of work and despondent.

YOU will save money if you buy musical instruments of C. E. Prescott, for he always gives the purchaser a bargain. Haines Bros.' pianos and Packard organs are specialties

BURKS White Pine Balsam for colds.

WEDNESDAY last Mr. Tim Ronan and Miss Julia Honecker were married at the Catholic church by Rev. Father Mackin. The couple have gone to housekeeping. Mr. Ronan is a member of the Turner society, and is a cigar maker employed at M E. Schroeder's establishment.

YOUR troublesome cough will surely yield to Burks' White Pine Balsam.

DETECTIVE ESMOND has been granted a change of venue from Logan to DeWitt county. Esmond was one of the detectives in the Zura Burns case, and got indicted for obtaining money under false pretenses.

THE Grand Army of the Republic will hold its nineteenth annual encampment at Peoria, on the 18th and 19th of this month. The attendance will no doubt be large. There are in this state 422 posts with a membership of 20,170. One hundred and twenty-one new posts have been organized during the past year.

BURKS' White Pine Balsam is an infallible remedy for a "Raw Sore Throat."

ANOTHER great scenic attraction will be "The Lights o' London," here Wednesday and Thursday evenings of next week. The company carries carloads of special scenery. It is a dollar show, but Manager Haines has had the prices reduced to 35 50 and 75 cents.

A "hacking cough" is hard to cure, but Burks' White Pine Balsam will cure it.

THE Sunday School teachers' meeting this evening at 7 o'clock in the Y. M. C. A. parlors for the study of the next lesson. The class will be led by A. H. Mills and a full attendance of the teachers and officers of the various schools is desirable.

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IF you want shoes go to J. W. Baker's new store on Merchant street. He is receiving new goods every day, or you can buy any shoes that were not wet or soiled at about half price. Remember the place, between Lyon's grocery store and Cole's drug store. Feb 3-d&wtf

LADIES can find an Elegant Line of Slippers and fine Shoes at Busher's. feb4-d&wtf

THE only Restaurant in the city that keeps open Day and Night is at Hartley's, No. 107 S. side old square. feb2-d1m

V. H. PARKE still sells the Best Roller Process Winter Wheat Flour, at $1.25 per sack of 50 pounds. Every sack warranted. feb2-d2w

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THE "Decatur Quartette," all home boys, will give an exhibition skate on stilts, acrobatic acts, rope skipping and clown acts, at the rink Saturday night Music and usual price of admission. feb2-d6

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FRESH oysters by dish or can, at J. H. Krebs, 146 East Prairie street. 19d&wtf

THE CITY'S BOSSES.

Shoemaker's Report on the Fair Matter—At Sea on the Paving Question.

At the adjourned meeting of the city council held last night all the members were present and responded to the roll call, excepting Lake and Alexander.

The official bond of J. B. Noce as special poolceman, with W. B. Robinson Peter Perl and George Hunsley as sureties, came up for action, and after some considerable talk over the petition for Noce's appointment, the whole matter, on motion of Ald. Roberts, was referred to the mayor.

The finance committee reported favorably upon the claim of W. L. Oakes of $197 on account of repairs of the boilers at the water works; and also on the claim of H. Mueller & Son of $88 05 for other repairs. The report of the committee was approved and claims allowed.

Ald. Shoemaker, chairman of the special committee appointed at the last regular meeting to consider the ways and means by which the city council could aid in securing the location of the state fair at Decatur, made a verbal report, in which he stated that the committee had considered the matter and that they were all anxious and desirous to secure the prize, but that in view of the facts that in case of the fair being located at Decatur the council would be called on to expend considerable money in fixing up the city, and in view of the financial condition of the city and the questionable legality of a direct appropriation of money out of the city treasury in aid of the enterprise, the committee had thought best to refer the matter back to the council. On motion of Ald. Roberts the matter was left in the hands of the committee, and it was given further time.

The Citizens' Street Railway ordinance was then taken up and put on its passage and after considerable discussion over various features of the ordinance it was finally adopted substantially as prepared and reported by the public improvement committee.

On motion of Ald. Shoemaker the council adjourned.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

At the request of Mayor Chambers the aldermen after adjournment met in committee of the whole and discussed at great length the best methods of arranging for the street paving improvement The mayor favors the special taxation plan and would do away with the special assessment method. If the taxation plan is adopted the council will have control of the matter by passing an ordinance, but the other way the county court commissioners make the assessments of alleged benefits of an improvement, as was done in the case of the old square. The matter will doubtless be more fully explained and discussed at a meeting of the council, when the aldermen shall have agreed among themselves as to what course is best to pursue.

Better.

Samuel Powers had a refreshing sleep this morning and seemed to be in a more hopeful condition this afternoon. Much solicitude is felt for him by our citizens generally.

THE S. H. Thompson sale of stock and implements which took place Thursday at the J. M Rainey farm, four miles north of Decatur, was largely attended, and everything sold brought good prices. Cows sold at prices ranging from $40 to $70, horses good figures, and the hogs brought better prices than are now offered in the market. The young cattle and all the implements went well. The auctioneer was Mr. Wm. Holman, who conducted the sale very satisfactorily.

THE "Lights o' London," here two nights next week, advertise for 100 supernumeraries. Here is a chance for stage struck Decatur youths and maidens to get before the footlights.

Literary Entertainment.

The High School Literary Society will give an entertainment at the High School building this evening, and all friends of the school are invited to be present. Admission, free. Go. The programme

Music by the Choir.
Declamation—"The Traveled Parson," Mr. Harry Dunstead
Recitation—"Never Despair", Miss Myra Carmany
Society Paper—"Quersiat", Mr Chas. Sobroll
Declamation—"Fond Memories" Mr Fred Bowman
Essay Miss Mamie Abel
Solo "An Old Fashioned Garden", Miss Ida Kain
Recitation—"The Courtin" Miss Lucy Keeler
Society Paper—Second Edition to "Quersiat" Mr. Clarence Watkins
Debate—"Resolved that the Banishment of Napoleon Bonaparte to St. Helena was Justifiable." Affirmative, Mr. Arthur Flood and Mr. Fred. Murphy. Negative, Mr. Ed. Bradley and Mr. Chas. Leforgee.

Besides the above there will be a dramatic representation. The exercises will begin at 7:45 o'clock.

Notice.

Prof. Leonard's juvenile dancing class will meet at the Guards' Armory, corner of Main and William streets, to-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock, the rooms in the conservatory being too small for the purpose causing the change. All wishing to take lessons are requested to be on hand, as this will be the last opportunity of joining the class.

D A MARTIN says if another blizzard comes he will hump himself again and fill all the available houses in the city with ice. He now has over 10,000 tons stored away for his large wholesale and retail summer trade.

THE Young Ladies' Guild of the Baptist Church are prepared to take orders for plain sewing or fancy work. Napkins hemmed by hand, handkerchiefs embroidered; also orders taken for home-made candy. 5-d6

THE Virden brickmaker wants Jacksonville to pay him $10 a thousand for street-paving brick. His was the only bid submitted to the council of that city at its meeting last night. Where is Decatur? Let the world know that she has brick suitable for streets.

Masonic.

Regular communication of Macon Lodge No 8, A. F. and A. M., this (Friday) evening, at 7 o'clock.

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Thirty at the Altar.

Evangelist Potter made an excellent talk at the Methodist revival last night, taking for his text the words, "Be sure your sins will find out out." The room was filled to overflowing, and the best of attention was given to the services. There were 30 seekers at the altar, and nearly all professed conversion. Several were of a very marked character, two young men manifesting their joy at obtaining the blessing by shouting and laughing and joyfully shaking hands with friends. Rev. Coultas stated that there will be no services on Saturday, but that meetings would be held all day on Sunday. At 3:30 Sunday afternoon Rev. Coultas desires to meet all probationers of this and former revival meetings in the lecture room to have a general talk. All are invited to attend the meeting to-night.

Owner of the Stolen Steers.

The pair of fine steers stolen by John Miller, who tried to sell them to Martin Blenz, were claimed to-day by their owner, Joseph Arthur, who resides in the Batchelder neighborhood, nine miles northwest of Decatur. Marshal Mason turned the cattle over to Mr. Arthur. The owner did not know that his cattle were stolen until a neighbor told of what he had read about the robbery in a newspaper. Mr. A. had 51 head in his herd. He counted them and found two missing. Then he posted off to Decatur and found that the two brought here were his property. Miller is to have his preliminary examination on Monday next.

Hard at Work.

The committees out soliciting money for the state fair fund are having up hill work, but they are still out doing their level best to raise the necessary amount of cash. Several thousand dollars are yet lacking. Citizens should subscribe liberally, and thus encourage the members of the committee in their efforts to work up a boom for Decatur.

The Big Corn Prize Takers.

Some months ago John Irwin, of the White Front clothing store, offered a prize of a cent a grain for the largest ears of Macon county corn. The prizes were awarded to-day by the committee, Ed. B. Judson, F. M. Pratt and W. T. Roberts, as follows

Prize No. 1—White ear 1—To James Sanders, of Decatur township, for ear of corn having 1,152 grains, $11 52.

Prize No. 2—Yellow ear 10—To A. Stoughtenborough, of Maroa, for ear of corn having 1,365 grains, $13 65.

Prize No. 3—Mixed ear 20—To W. T. Schenck, of Maroa, for ear of corn having 1,248 grains, $6 24. For the mixed ear a prize of half a cent a grain was offered.

The Opera.

There was a large audience of music-loving people of the community at the opera house last night to witness the presentation of "The Bohemian Girl" by the Ford-Seguin company. It is an opera of three acts, and in the absence of an orchestral accompaniment it may be said it was creditably rendered. Only a piano was used, and while this lonely instrument, though manipulated by an indifferent pianist, was good enough in its way, still it cast a chilliness over the production, and for lack of stringed instruments the pretty opera was robbed of its beauty and grand effects that were possible. Zelda Seguin as the Gypsy Queen made the most of the character and invested it with a new interest and charm. She threw into the role a great deal of dramatic power, and in her vocalizations she acquitted herself creditably. The favorite vocalists of the evening, however, were Lulu Evans, as *Arline*, James G. Peakes, as *Denilshoof*, Thomas Cristy as *Thaddeus*, and Princes Barovick as *The Count*. Mr. Steger, as *Florentstein*, was simply an amateur, and hardly knew how to handle his hands and feet. The chorus was light in numbers but strong in volume.

The Coroners' Meeting.

Coroner Perl is home from Springfield where he attended the state meeting of coroners held in the state house yesterday. There were 18 counties represented, with letters and suggestions from many absentees. F. A. Hand, of Grundy county, was elected chairman, and F. W. Goodell, of Effingham, secretary. Many points of vital interest to coroners were discussed One is that they have no power in law to order a post mortem examination, for the reason that no provision is made for the expenses that may be incurred, except through the county board which may refuse to liquidate the claim, in which case the coroner, if he orders the work done, will have to pay the bill or let the doctors go without pay; another is in case of drowning. The body is in the river. The coroner may be able to swim but he cannot dive. He has no power to order anyone to search for the body, and unless some one volunteers he waits until the body rises to the surface; and then he has no power to send for witnesses at a distance unless he foots the bill himself. The coroners appointed a committee to have the legislature pass a bill curing these defects in the law.

The Galley Slave.

The company which is to produce this celebrated play at the opera house tonight recently played in Albany, N. Y, and the *Argus* of that city said

"Barely indeed have we had in this city a more excellent performance than that of Bartley Campbell's "Galley Slave" last evening. Such companies and such plays are to be recommended and it is to be hoped that the management will find it profitable to bring such artists here again. The plot is deeply interesting, the acting much superior to what we usually get, the scenery and costumes of the ladies beautiful and costly. The house was crowded.'

The company embraces all the old favorite actors and the play will be produced with powerful effect. Popular prices 35, 50 and 75 cents.

FRENCH newspaper proprietors appear to have hit upon a novel method of attracting subscribers. The *Gaulois*, for instance, undertakes to pay a sum of 5,000 francs at the decease of any subscriber who may meet with his death on a railway or tramway, or by being run over by a vehicle in the street. A proportionate sum is paid for injuries received. All that is necessary is to produce the last receipt of subscription. The *Gaulois* also pays compensation to any purchaser of a single copy, or his heirs, should he be injured or killed on the day the paper is bought.

A Sensible Man

Would use Kemp's Balsam for the Throat and Lungs. It is curing more cases of Coughs, Colds, Asthma, Bronchitis, Croup and all Throat and Lung Troubles than any other medicine. The proprietor has authorized Dr. A. J. Stoner, druggist, No. 14 south side new square, to refund your money if after taking three-fourths of a bottle, relief is not obtained. Price 50 cents and $1. *Trial size free.* b1

MAN ABOUT TOWN.

I saw a laboring man to-day out of work who is very anxious to have the street paving improvement commence, that he and his friend may secure employment. He doesn't want the city to let the contract to outside parties, for the reason that foreign contractors will be certain to bring laborers here and not give the Decatur working man a fair whack at the job.

It is the opinion of some of the aldermen that the street paving question will be one of the leading issues in the coming city election; but they are not disposed just now to make such a statement in their speeches at the council meetings.

Among the available candidates for Mayor spoken of about town are W. B. Chambers, I. W. Ehrman, W. W. Foster, Andrew Shoemaker, L. L Haworth, John Ulrich, and other citizens; but it is yet too early to predict who will be the opposing candidates. A city clerk, city attorney, city treasurer and five aldermen are also to be elected, each for two years.

Those characters who have manifested a disposition to be disorderly at the Methodist revival, I am told, have been weeded out or brought into a state of subjection by the stalwart brothers assigned for that purpose; but there are those who go to the meetings nightly and leave huge tobacco quids on the floor. A man would not think of smoking a cigar in the revival room. He might forego chewing during the service.

The state fair location question is one that is agitating the business men generally. They have waked up to the importance of the situation and at last realize that Decatur has a fighting chance to get it. Raising the money is one thing, and getting the state board to send it here is another. A large body of representative citizens should go to Springfield on the 10th, the day the matter is to be voted on, and all should put in their finest work to capture the prize.

The council, at its meeting last night, failed to provide for the payment of Decatur's eight police officers. They have received no pay for January services, as the police fund is exhausted. The question that is now worrying the aldermen is, How shall we manage to provide the police with cash for standing around in the cold all day and staying awake watching property and for thieves all night?

A party of young people at the opera house last night were so taken with the beauties of the "Bohemian Girl" that between acts they put and adopted a motion deciding to organize an amateur troupe and rehearse the opera and other musical creations for the entertainment of Decatur people and the residents of adjoining towns. But it was understood that the troupe would not budge a step until Prof. Bull, J. Berlin Burrows Herman Martin, Joe Miehl, Leo Heilbrun and other musicians formed a strong orchestra to give suitable accompaniment for the solos, duets, trios, quartets and the grand choruses of the ambitious fairies.

The street paving question is still an unsettled matter with the city council. The question was not considered last night except secretly in committee of the whole. It is not likely that another vote will be taken until it is known to a certainty that there is a clear majority in favor of the proposition.

PERSONAL MENTION.

State's Attorney Vail is at Hillsboro on business.

Miss Minnie Drake is now on duty at the Drake Hotel as clerk

Sig. Goldstein is in the city on business. He is traveling for a New York wholesale house.

Mrs. Lydia A. Toland, of Latham, attended the Ford-Seguin opera entertainment last night.

Will Drake is permanently located at Aurora as the boss of the office there for the Chicago Railroad News Company

Rev. C. P. Baldwin, of Pana, is a guest at the Drake Hotel. He is visiting his son, Cabe Baldwin.

Caddie King, niece of Will King, was the Little *Arline* in the "Bohemian Girl" opera last night.

Walter Cannon, of Tuscola, is a transfer, and is now on duty as a mail route agent on the Central between Centralia and Chicago.

M. J. Frantz, of Gage county, Neb, formerly of Oakley, has been in the city on business. He departed for the west to-day.

H. W. Shimer, the new ticket agent for the Illinois Central, Illinois Midland and P., D. & E. roads, at the Union depot, came here from DuQuoin.

Mrs. A. Miller and Mrs. French, of Taylorville, were guests of Mrs. W. R Abbott yesterday. They witnessed the opera last night.

Rev. J. P. Hillerby, of Jacksonville, who has been exhorting at Oconee, visited the revival last night. He went to Blue Mound this afternoon to assist in the work there.

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when it is the old-fashioned blue mass, blue pill sort, and insist on using Dr Pierce's "Pleasant Purgative Pellets," a modern medical luxury, being small, sugar-coated granules, containing the active principles of certain roots and herbs, and which will be found to contain as much cathartic power as any of the old-fashioned, larger pills, without the latter's violent, drastic effects. The pellets operate thoroughly but harmlessly, establishing a permanently healthy action of the stomach and bowels, and as an antibilious remedy are unequaled.

SHERIFF FOSTER and Cliff Elwood got home from Joliet this morning. The Sheriff has taken a severe cold from exposure and is confined to his room. He delivered six prisoners safely to the Joliet warden.

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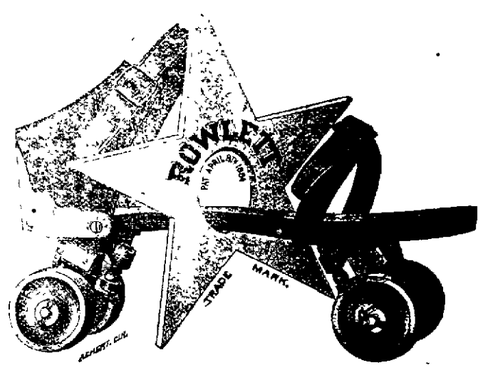

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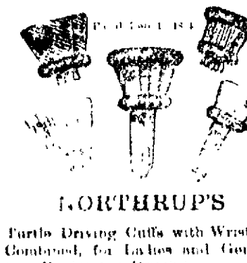

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Dec 29 dtf

REDEMPTION NOTICES.

To G. M. Brown or whom it may concern:

You are hereby notified that at a sale of lands and town lots for state, county and special taxes, made in pursuance of law, in the county of Macon and state of Illinois, on the 7th day of June, A. D. 1883, for the taxes for the year 1882, I purchased the following described lots, to wit: Lots 1 and 2 in Livingston's subdivision of lot 3 in block 3 in Wickliffe's addition to Decatur, and that the time of the redemption from said sale will expire on the 27th day of June, A. D. 1885.

JOHN H. RELE

Jan. 27, 1885—d1w

To Jacob Miller or W. H. Wheatley or whom it may concern:

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JOHN H. RELE

Jan. 27, 1885—d1w

To Mary Hall or whom it may concern:

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JOHN H. RELE

Jan. 27, 1885—d1w

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Jan. 27, 1885—d1w

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JOHN H. RELE

Jan. 27, 1885—d1w

To C. F. Morrison or whom it may concern:

You are hereby notified that at a sale of lands and town lots for state, county and special taxes, made in pursuance of law, in the county of Macon and state of Illinois, on the 7th day of June, A. D. 1883, for the taxes for the year 1882, I purchased the following described lot, to wit: Lot 5 in block 4 in Wickliffe's addition to Decatur, and that the time of the redemption from said sale will expire on the 27th day of June, A. D. 1885.

J. H. RELE

Jan. 27, 1885—d1w

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J. H. RELE

Jan. 27, 1885—d1w

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Force Pumps,
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April 8, 1884—d&wtf

The Daily Republican.

FINE carriage and buggy harness, plow and team harness at J. W. Tyler's new shop, northwest corner of old square. Repairing a specialty. 1-dtf

"I'M SITTING ON THE STILE."

She turned the music swiftly o'er,
Her lovely color shone and went,
She tossed her jaunty hat aside,
And sat before the instrument.
The ivory keys her ivory hands
Touched with a master touch the while
With sweetest voice she sang that sweet
Old song "I'm sitting on the stile."

He softly stole within the room
To hear her sing, entranced he sat
Upon the nearest convenient chair,
Unclasp'd which held her jaunty hat.
She turn'd and looked with roguishest eyes,
He turned and looked with sickly smile;
Beheld the ruin he had wrought,
And said: "I'm sitting on the style!"

—*Mrs. Geo. Archibald, in Burlington Hawkeye.*

A POOR INVESTMENT.

The Custom of Putting Spare Cash in Precious Stones.

"The time-honored custom of putting your spare hundreds or thousands during flush times into jewelry and silverware, under the impression that you are at any rate laying away a nest-egg for a rainy day, is a great mistake that people are waking up to," remarked a broker and an agent who is an old and prominent citizen of San Francisco, and into whose possession has fallen in a special way of late a large quantity of the valuables of which he spoke.

"It is a custom fruitful of sorrow and disappointment to many of the persons who indulge in it, and in more instances than you would imagine, upon first thought, a source of serious annoyance and difficulty to their friends. All the conditions under which the habit is practiced, favor such results. In San Francisco during the last few years the facts of the case have been demonstrated in a most peculiar and forcible way. The public knows very little about the matter, how the trade in these costly articles is conducted, or what is the ultimate disposition of the wares, and it should be provided with general information concerning the subject. Then considerable vexation might be avoided, especially on this coast. The subject is an interesting one, full of novelty and suggestions of the lights and shades of life on the high tide of success, as well as the low ebb of financial depression, and I will try to give you a few points. Probably there have been few instances in history where there was such a universal disposition on the part of every one to buy these costly goods as during the bonanza times of California; the noteworthy era of colossal fortunes made in a day; the time of inflated values in all property, the days when people of all social grades, into whose hands, as if by magic, heaps of gold had fallen, plunged into all sorts of extravagances, and the venders of diamonds and precious stones, and costly ornaments, and wares of gold and silver, reaped a harvest. Millions were spent.

"Not only did large establishments offering these gems and luxuries prosper here, but Eastern dealers sent out large consignments to be sold here. The Eastern dealers continue to do so now. The sales in this city were enormous, and there was another extremely large influx of goods which were brought here by old settlers and mining magnates who had gone East to visit their homes again after making their fortunes. When the large majority found that the untrustworthy stocks had swallowed up their money with the same startling speed that it had been amassed, the gems, etc., in their possession went for the most part to the pawnbrokers. As a matter of course none of their owners received anything like the amounts the goods originally cost. Many people, yet retaining their faith in the stocks they hold, put up their jewels as security in the hands of their brokers. Then came the first realization of what a small percentage of the original cost can be obtained under any circumstances. I wish to emphasize particularly the case of jewels and precious stones, because it is a natural and widely prevalent belief that at all hazards a jewel—a diamond ear-ring, for example, would be worth at any time, and in any place, very nearly what it cost, for the setting is an inconsiderable portion of the value, and the stone remains the same always. But the belief has no foundation in fact. In actual practice it would only be a question of extraordinary luck if the owner obtained, under a forced sale, more than thirty-five to fifty per cent. of what he paid for it when he bought it out of the store. One of the most astonishing examples of this kind that has come to my knowledge occurred in this city.

"A gentleman took a magnificent set of diamonds, which he had presented to his wife while in affluent circumstances, to his broker, and delivered them up as collateral for stock that he was holding. The set consisted of ear rings and a cross, and the man had paid a firm in this city five thousand six hundred dollars for them. He supposed, of course, he could dispose of them any day for at least from three to four thousand dollars, and nearly any man owning jewelry in the city would believe the same thing. But they would be far from right. When the crash came the broker was holding for the gentleman sank lower instead of going up, it became necessary to sell the jewelry, and the very best offer that the firm who had sold them to the gentleman would make to take them off its hands was one thousand three hundred dollars—not one-quarter of what the goods first sold for. It is a very plain case. The firm admitted that the stones were the same that they had sold for the large amount, but the price at which they would take them back indicated that a profit of about four thousand three hundred dollars had been made on them. This is only one of many cases, and nearly all dealers seem to prefer to deal with the trade and bring more and more stones to the market in preference to offering even half what is paid at first for any jewel. Many thousands of dollars' worth of precious stones and expensive jewelry are held in the safe vaults of this city to-day which must be parted with by the owners at a great sacrifice, as many of the owners are among our old and most respected citizens. In flush times they accumulated the property in the way of presents from their friends or individual purchases, and now when hard times have come upon them the treasure relics of bygone prosperity must go to pay for the necessities of life, and to secure money with which to tide over temporary penury. It would surprise any one to hear the names of our local men who have been reduced to this method of raising funds, and the array of gems brought together would be a further revelation.

"The men in question shrink from going to a pawnbroker. They seek out a friend and ask him to lend some money on the goods. The friend knows that the man is not telling a falsehood, and, after viewing the original invoice for the jewels, he advances with a good will two thousand dollars on a three thousand dollar set of diamonds at a fair rate of interest. Finally the man to whom the money has been loaned goes to his friend in perfectly good faith and says that times are not much better, that even the interest is burdensome—and the jewelry must be sold. Then the mistake of the whole transaction is brought to light. The price obtainable for the jewels is much smaller than the money loaned. A few examples of these cases are: One lot of silverware, consisting of wedding presents and various purchases, costing in all more than two thousand dollars, was sold for five hundred dollars. Come in here and look at these sets and see what you think of them. Here is a pair of diamond ear-rings and a brooch that cost two thousand dollars. I can not sell them for four hundred dollars. Here is a seven hundred dollar set of silver ware that can go for one hundred and fifty dollars to any purchaser. That diamond locket was bought for eleven hundred dollars, and it goes a begging when offered at four hundred dollars. And, as you see, not any of them show wear in the slightest degree. Undoubtedly in some cases the owners of these jewels paid exorbitant prices in the beginning, for there are unscrupulous dealers who are apparently trustworthy, but as a rule the gems are of the finest quality, and the men who handle that class of goods are not usually objects of suspicion. However, you will notice a strange thing when you go to a jeweler to have an expert place a value on a set of diamonds upon which you wish to make a loan. He will tell you that he would not sell the set for a certain amount he names; but upon the instances above enumerated it is evident that he would not give you half as much if you were to offer the set to him.

"This expert valuation is an inscrutable system. I suppose there have been several instances where the amount of money loaned on a set of diamonds was based upon an expert's valuation, which, as I have said, proved to be a considerably larger sum than could be realized at a forced sale. A lady in New York is the possessor of jewels bought at Tiffany's for eighty-four thousand dollars, and she concluded to sell them, because they were so much trouble to her. Tiffany would not take them back and pay more than thirty thousand dollars. I carry a good watch, and have for a long time been living in the happy belief that by means of it I could get home at any time I happened to be caught out of town, but I am every day growing to consider my heretofore happy belief a delusion and a snare. I don't know but that I would be obliged to walk home if the car fare was too big, even if the place where I was literally swarmed with pawn-shops. People for the last two years have been melting up their old silver to get the bullion. At one time one concern alone melted up an average of six sets per week, and at the present time sets are continually sent through the banks from private homes in this city and from all parts of the coast to the mint to be melted up. At a recent date a wagon-load of silver coming from Mexico, and comprising every article of household furniture, even to wash-bowls, was taken to the mint. Some people do this because plated ware needs watchful care, and others do it because they are compelled to." *See Examiner's Call.*

The Internal Machinery.

Even when we go to sleep, the complicated apparatus of the inner man is continually at work. Heart, lungs, liver, kidneys and all, keep at work from birth until death. How important it is that all these should be in perfect order? Let any of them run down, or let the blood become impoverished, and the result is disease and decay. But Brown's Iron Bitters is the sure restorative. Witness, for instance, the case of Mrs. Gillespie, of San Antonio, Texas, who was for a long time a great sufferer. She says, "I have used Brown's Iron Bitters for dyspepsia and general debility with great benefit."

—Napoleon, the great leader of men, judged them and chose them according to the character indicated by their noses.

BEWARE of eating unripe fruit, for a train of evils is almost certain to follow such an indiscretion. Cholera morbus, cramp in the stomach, diarrhœa, dysentery, colic, these are only a few of the punishments of the unwary. Samuel Anderson, of Springfield, O., writes: "I was attacked by cholera morbus and suffered extremely, but was quickly cured as soon as a bottle of Mishler's Herb Bitters could be procured."

—No one is ever billed by lightning when asleep in bed, according to the assertion of an English electrician.

HAVE used Tongaline, both in private and hospital practice, and found it all I could desire. Physicians here who have tried Tongaline regard it as excellent.
C. D. Field, M. D., Plainfield, N. J.

—Two California Chinamen are now in course of training, preparing for a fistic encounter. They are learning the ways of civilization.

—A Philadelphia German, who wears a "No. 17" boot, claims to have the largest understanding in the country.

A Remarkable Escape.

Mrs Mary A. Dailey, of Tunkhannock Pa., was afflicted for six years with Asthma and Bronchitis, during which time the best physicians could give no relief. Her life was despaired of, until in last October she procured a bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery, when immediate relief was felt, and by continuing its use for a short time she was completely cured gaining in flesh 50 pounds, in a few months.

Free Trial Bottles of this certain cure of all Throat and Lung Disease at Swearingen & Hubbard's Drug store. Large Size $1.00. 4s

DOES a shoe improve with age? No. New, pliable leather is softest on corns and wears the best. Buy your shoes of a house that turns or sells their stock over five times a year—and that is the popular shoe store of L. L. Ferris & Co.
d&wtf

CALL at B. Stine's for Christmas presents, comprising silk suspenders, silk handkerchiefs, in foreign and domestic fabrics, at reasonable prices. d&wtf

If you want to deal with a square and practicable man that warrants goods as represented, go to the old and reliable W. F. Bushar. jan19-dtf

THE best on earth, can truly be said of Griggs' Glycerine Salve, which is a sure, safe and speedy cure for cuts, bruises, solids, burns, wounds and all other sores. Will positively cure piles, tetter and all skin eruptions. Try this wonder healer. Satisfaction guaranteed or money refunded. Only 25 cents. Sold by Dr. A. J. Stoner. dec8-ly

DO NOT forget the Great New York Fire Store has been removed to No. 118 Merchant street, where the stock will be sold cheaper than ever. j17-d1m

BEST 25 cent dinner in the city at KREBS' lunch room, 145 East Prairie St. Oct. 22—dtf

USE Palmes Tooth Soap, prepared by Dr. Thos. S. Hoskins & Co., Decatur, Ill. Sold by all druggists. july27dtf

We Suggest

For the benefit of those who have no time to think, that a half-dozen HERCULES SUSPS would make such a present as no gentleman would fail to appreciate.
d18-d&wtf LINN & SCRUGGS.

Bryan & Hummel,
Exclusive Dealers in Decatur Coal. Orders for Wood and Hard Coal promptly filled. Telephone 196. dec23-dtf

Executors' Notice.

Estate of ELIZA SAWYER, deceased.

The undersigned, having been appointed executor of the estate of Eliza Sawyer, late of the county of Macon and State of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the County Court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the March term, on the third Monday in March next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 30th day of January, 1885.

WILLIAM A. BARNES, Executor.

Jan. 30—4w

PROVIDENCE

Helps those who help themselves. Nature has provided herbs for the cure of human ailments and medical science has discovered their healing powers, and the proper combinations necessary to conquer disease. The result of these discoveries and combinations is

MISHLER'S HERB BITTERS.

For many years it has been tested in severe cases of Kidney and Liver Diseases, Malaria, Dyspepsia, Indigestion, Weakness, Lassitude, etc., and invariably it has given relief and cure. Thousands of testimonials have been given, and it is most popular where best known.

J. O. Steinheiser, Superintendent of the Lancaster Co., Pa., hospital, writes: "I used it in a great many cases of dyspepsia, kidney, liver and bowel complaint, rheumatism, malaria and nervous and invariably with best results."

F. Hoffman, of Circleville, Ohio, says: "This is to certify that I have had the disease again and by using one bottle of Mishler's Herb Bitters a complete cure has been effected."

MISHLER HERB BITTERS CO.,
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REDEMPTION NOTICES.

To Daniel Morgan or whom it may concern:

You are hereby notified that at a sale of lands and town lots for state, county and special taxes, made in pursuance of law, in the county of Macon and state of Illinois, on the 27th day of June, A. D. 1883, for the taxes for the year 1882, I purchased the following described tract of land, to wit: West half of the east half of lot 1 in the southwest quarter of the southwest quarter of section 24, township 16 north, range 1 west, taxed in the name of Daniel Morgan, and that the time of the redemption from said sale will expire on the 27th day of June, A. D. 1885.

JOHN N. BILLS

Jan. 27, 1885—d1w

To D. C. Webb or whom it may concern:

You are hereby notified that at a sale of lands and town lots for state, county and special taxes, made in pursuance of law, in the county of Macon and state of Illinois, on the 27th day of June, A. D. 1883, for the taxes for the year 1882, I purchased the following described lots, to wit: Lots 1 and 2 in block 6 in Wickliffe's addition to Decatur, and that the time of the redemption thereof from said sale will expire on the 27th day of June, A. D. 1885.

JOHN N. BILLS

Jan. 27, 1885—d1w

To Peter Hill or whom it may concern:

You are hereby notified that at a sale of lands and town lots for state, county and special taxes, made in pursuance of law, in the county of Macon and state of Illinois, on the 27th day of June, A. D. 1883, for the taxes for the year 1882, I purchased the following described tract of land, to wit: The west half of lot 7 in block 4 in Wickliffe's addition to Decatur, and that the time of the redemption thereof from said sale will expire on the 27th day of June, A. D. 1885.

JOHN N. BILLS

Jan. 27, 1885—d1w

To Harwood & Cartledge or whom it may concern:

You are hereby notified that at a sale of lands and town lots for state, county and special taxes, made in pursuance of law, in the county of Macon and state of Illinois, on the 27th day of June, A. D. 1883, for the taxes for the year 1882, I purchased the following described tract of land, to wit: The west half of the northeast quarter of the southwest quarter of section 17, township 16 north, range 1 east, taxed in the name of Harwood & Cartledge, and that the time of the redemption thereof from said sale will expire on the 27th day of June, A. D. 1885.

JOHN N. BILLS

Jan. 27, 1885—d1w

To Samuel Shrylock or whom it may concern:

You are hereby notified that at a sale of lands and town lots for state, county and special taxes, made in pursuance of law, in the county of Macon and state of Illinois, on the 27th day of June, A. D. 1883, for the taxes for the year 1882, I purchased the following described tract of land, to wit: The west seventy-nine eighths of the southeast quarter of section 26, township 16 north, range 1 west, taxed in the name of Samuel Shrylock, and that the time of the redemption thereof from said sale will expire on the 27th day of June, A. D. 1885.

JOHN N. BILLS

Jan. 27, 1885—d1w

To Annewalt or whom it may concern:

You are hereby notified that at a sale of lands and town lots for state county and special taxes, made in pursuance of law, in the county of Macon and state of Illinois on the 27th day of June, A. D. 1883, for the taxes for the year 1882, I purchased the following described lot, to wit: Three-fourths of the west side of lot 4, block 17, Village of Macon, taxed in the name of Annewalt, and that the time of the redemption thereof from said sale will expire on the 27th day of June, A. D. 1885.

JOHN N. BILLS

Jan. 27, 1885—d8w

WRITTEN EXAMINATIONS

Questions Put to Pupils in the Public Schools To-day

Fourth Examination—3d Grade—Feb 6.

1. How many baskets will be required to hold 36 melons if only 4 melons are put into a basket? If 6 melons are put into a basket?
2. Seven times 9 and 7 more equal what number? How many feet in 6 yards?
3. If a man work 8 hours each day, how many hours will he work in 9 days? How many quarts in a peck?
4. Paid $300 for a horse, and $\frac{1}{5}$ as much for a harness. What did I pay for the harness? For both?
5. Minnie bought a yard of ribbon for 15 cents, and a spool of thread for 5 cents. How much change should she receive from 50 cents?
6. Express in Roman numerals 9, 110.
7. How many hours from noon until midnight? From midnight until next midnight?
8. How many quarters make $1? $2½?
9. How many bushels in 12 pecks? How many weeks in 35 days?
10. Mark appearance of paper.

Fourth Examination, 4th Grade—Feb 6.

1. I bought a hat for $3.28, a coat for 15 dollars, and a pair of boots for 13 dollars; how much did I pay for all?
2. America was discovered in 1492; how many years from that time to the birth of Washington, in 1732?
3. A man bought a house for $1500, and having expended $315.46 for repairs, sold it for $2000; how much was his gain?
4. I bought 28 sheep at $6 per head, and a span of horses for $297; how much more did the horses cost than the sheep?
5. A boy bought a sled for $1.48, and gave 87 cents for having it repaired; he sold it for $1.49. Did he gain or lose? How much?
6. If you can travel 486 miles in a day how far can you travel in 180 days?
7. I bought a house and sold it for $21,128, losing thereby $1,878. What did the house cost me?
8. What will 19,875 bushels of wheat cost at $1.25 per bushel?
9. Subtrahend 326; remainder, 334. What is the minuend? 64,326–37,578=?
10. Mark appearance of paper.

4th Examination—5th Grade—Feb. 6.

1. A farmer raised 326⅝ bushels of potatoes, 126¾ bushels of tupnips, 128½ bushels of beets; how many bushels did he raise in all?
2. I sold a house for $1341 3-5, which was $137¼ less than it cost me; did I make or lose? and how much?
3. The subtrahend is 63⅝, the difference 51½; what is the minuend?
4. Divide 67½ by 2¾. 186 by 5½.
5. If 87 cows cost $3870 1-5, what is their average cost?
6. Mr. A. traveled 31¼ miles in 8½ hours. How far did he travel in one hour?
7. Having received $83¾, John spent $22¾ for a coat, and $11½ for a vest. How much had he left?
8. A man bought at one time 24½ tons of coal, and at another 18¾ tons, and at another 35⅜ tons. How many tons did he buy?
9. A man bought 326⅜ acres of land at $35¼ per acre. How much did it cost him?
10. Mark appearance of paper.

4th Examination, 6th Grade—Feb 6.

1. There are 272¼ square feet in one square rod; how many square feet in 6,897 square rods?
2. A farmer sold 3 hogs, weighing respectively 278, 309 and 327 pounds, at $4.04½ a pound; how much did he receive?
3. At $33¾ an acre how many acres of land can be bought for $841⅞?
4. Multiply 15 millionths by 7 million. Multiply 25 ten-thousandths by 78 thousand.
5. Divide 16 ten millionths by 25 thousandths. Divide 205 millions by 41 ten-thousandths.
6. How much must be paid for 2¾ cords of wood at $6½ a cord?
7. If 23 acres of land cost $724.50, how much is .75 of an acre worth?
8. A farmer bought 24.75 yards of cloth at $3.50 a yard, and paid for it with butter at $.35 a pound; how many pounds did he give?
9. A drover bought sheep for $3 2-5 each; if he had paid $4½ each they would have cost him $120.70 more. How many sheep did he buy?
10. Mark appearance of paper.

4th Examination, 7th Grade—Feb. 6

1. A man man paid $85¼ for 15½ tons of coal. How much did it cost him per ton?
2. A farmer sold 26 tons of hay at $13.75 a ton, and received in payment wheat at $1.25 per bushel. How many bushels did he receive?
3. If ⅞ of a farm is worth $4,060, what is the value of the farm? Analyze.
4. A drover bought cattle at $65 a head and sold them at $84.50 a head; what was the gain per cent?
5. Mr. Patterson received $75 for preparing the plans and specifications of the new school house. If the building costs $9,000 what per cent. does he receive on the cost?
6. If the insurance companies charge 1½ per cent for insuring ⅔ of the cost of building the new school house, for a term of 5 years, what would the premium be?
7. The lots near the new school house were sold for $2050. If the Board of Education had paid a real estate agent 2 per cent. for selling them what would be the amount of his bill?
8. Taxes in Decatur are about 5 per cent. a year. What would be the taxes on the lots mentioned in example 7 if they are assessed at ⅓ of the sum for which they were sold?
9. For what should I have sold hay per ton to gain 16⅔ per cent, if 33⅓ per cent. was lost by selling at $16?
10. Mark appearance of paper.

YOUNG MEN!—READ THIS.

THE VOLTAIC BELT CO., of Marshall, Mich., offer to send their celebrated ELECTRO-VOLTAIC BELT and other ELECTRIC APPLIANCES on trial for thirty days, to men (young or old) afflicted with nervous debility, loss of vitality and manhood, and all kindred troubles. Also for rheumatism, neuralgia, paralysis, and many other diseases. Complete restoration to health, vigor and manhood guaranteed. No risk is incurred, as thirty days trial is allowed. Write them at once for illustrated pamphlet free.
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—In Oglethorpe county, Georgia, a Justice of the Peace was paid for marrying a couple by the bride playing two tunes on an old office gun.

Something New for Everybody.

The Pendu Light. Everybody who has used the old style Drop Lights has become disgusted with them and wondered why something more practical and ornamental was not made. The Pendu Light fills the bill, both as to utility and ornament—they save the gas and the eyesight, and they are a handsome Christmas present. Call and see them at

KORSMEYER & O'NEILL'S,
Cor. N. Main and William Sts.
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COAL! COAL! COAL!

George Ehrhart has a full supply of Hard Coal, Soft Coal and Wood at his yard next to Shellabarger's mill on Water street. Telephone 139. 18-dtf

Go to Wingate's Lamp Store and buy one of those Steam Washing Machines, if you want to see the dirt roll out of your clothes without a particle of rubbing
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Now is the time for a cheap suit or an overcoat at Cheap Charley's, way below par. 7-dawtf

THE largest stock of Children's Clothing in the city at B. Stine's. dawtf

THE COMMON SKUNK.

An Interesting Description of the Habitat and Habits of the Mephitis Mephitica—An Odorous Topic.

The common skunk (*Mephitis mephitica*) is found from Mexico to the Arctic regions, and is everywhere too well known to need description; its black and white color, peculiar habits, and especially its power of emitting an intensely fetid odor at will, at once distinguish it. The skunk has thirty-four highly developed carnivorous teeth. This species is in more ways than one the enemy of the farmer; it has a very decided penchant for eggs, and in some localities is a frequent invader of the chicken house. Its appetite for poultry is also excellent, but its slow and clumsy motions make it but an indifferent poacher in this direction. It kills large numbers of the common rabbit, and destroys a great number of prairie hens and ruffled grouse by eating the eggs of these birds. In hard times the skunk is glad to content itself with insects, frogs and mice. This is a very prolific species, there being from five to nine young in each litter; they are born in the early spring, in a rude nest built at the inner extremity of the shallow burrow dug by this animal. These burrows are much more easily dug out than those of the fox, being seldom more than two feet under ground, or more than nine feet in extreme length, and having generally but a single entrance. At the end of the gallery is a large excavation, and here in a large nest of leaves, from six to adozen individuals of this species may be found lying in the winter time. Although the skunk does not strictly hibernate, it seldom leaves its burrow during the winter season, and is at this time dull and inactive, but by no means asleep. The intolerable odor for which this animal is so justly notorious, is not, as is sometimes supposed, derived from the secretion of the kidneys, but is the product of two large glands situated in its rear, and opening outwardly by two small ducts. The fetid scent is contained in a slightly yellowish, transparent fluid, said to be phosphorescent in the dark, which is secreted by these glands. This fluid the animal can, by means of a strong muscle round the gland, squirt to the distance of ten or more feet, and its aim is painfully accurate, the noisome fluid almost invariably saluting an enemy in the face and eyes. Men have been known to be made almost blind by such an encounter, the irritating fluid producing a most violent ophthalmia. Dogs also are at times made violently ill, and have their eyes severely inflamed as the result of their attacking a skunk. This nauseous fluid has been used to some slight extent in medicine, one drop doses three times a day having been given with marked benefit in cases of asthma, and a tincture of it bottled has been used as a sort of smelling spirits, it being applied to the nose when an attack of asthma was threatened. However, the general verdict of the patients has been that the cure was worse than the disease.

The skunk has many enemies. Wolves, foxes, the wildcat and the panther all prey upon it, and several kinds of large night owl capture and eat it whenever opportunity offers; as it is a strictly nocturnal animal, it probably but seldom falls a victim to any species of hawk. Several tribes of Indians eat the skunk and pronounce it equal to opossum, and much superior to the flesh of the raccoon. Doubtless such is the case, as the animal is usually very fat. This ill-smelling weasel is a slow, clumsy and stupid animal, and is easly captured in any sort of trap. It is perfectly possible to kill the animal without its being in the least tainted by its peculiar fluid. If shot behind the shoulder with a good charge of heavy shot, and so killed instantly, little or no odor is appreciable, and if caught in a heavy dead fall, and so at once crushed to death, one's nostrils are not at all outraged, and it is a more pleasant animal to skin than a recently killed mink. The skunk has frequently been tamed—its odoriferous glands being destroyed by an operation—and makes a gentle and playful pet, becoming very fond of those who feed and caress it.—*Ralph W. Seiss, in Country Gentleman.*

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